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IN RE APPLICATION OF :

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SERIAL NO: NEW DIV. APPLICATION :

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FOR: LATERAL SEMICONDUCTOR

DEVICE AND VERTICAL SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits please amend the above-identified divisional application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.